

## General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 5078

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LCO No. 538

Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by: (ENV)

## AN ACT CONCERNING ANIMAL DISEASE CONTROL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 22-286 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2002*):
- The Commissioner of Agriculture shall have authority to cooperate with the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Veterinary
- 5 Services, of the United States Department of Agriculture in any
- 6 national [system] <u>plan</u> adopted by said department or service for the
- 7 <u>control and</u> eradication of [bovine tuberculosis or any contagious or
- 8 infectious disease of any bovine animal] <u>livestock and avian</u>
- 9 <u>contagious or infectious diseases</u>. Said commissioner may accept from
- 10 the United States such assistance, financial or otherwise, for the
- 11 condemnation of diseased animals, for remunerating the owners
- thereof and for carrying out the provisions of this chapter [and chapter
- 13 432,] as may be available from time to time. Upon the acceptance of
- 14 said [system] <u>national plan</u> by the [Governor] <u>commissioner</u>, the
- 15 [inspectors] of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection
- 16 Service, Veterinary Services, of the United States Department of
- 17 Agriculture, at the request of the commissioner, shall have the right of

18 inspection, quarantine and condemnation of animals affected with any 19 contagious, infectious or communicable disease or suspected to be 20 affected with, or that have been exposed to, any such disease, and may 21 enter any grounds or premises for these purposes. [They] The 22 commissioner may call upon [constables] law enforcement officials 23 including, but not limited to, state police and municipal police officials 24 to assist them in the discharge of their duties in carrying out the 25 provisions of such national [system] plan and of this section, and 26 [constables] <u>law enforcement officials</u> shall render such assistance 27 when so called upon.

Sec. 2. (*Effective July 1, 2002*) Section 22-326b of the general statutes is repealed.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	July 1, 2002
Sec. 2	July 1, 2002

## Statement of Purpose:

To better address current and future animal health threats.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]